

**Hartley's**

The Weather.  
WASHINGTON, June 8.—For West Virginia: Fair to-night and Thursday warmer.

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## A Sale In the Basement

For a few days, while they last, you will be able to buy a great many odd pieces of English and American Porcelain and German China, marked with prices that will suit the purse of the most economical housewife. This will prove to be a most seasonable sale.



## How We Help

By gathering and arranging for convenient selection a lot of useful every day articles, at from 25 to 75 per cent. less than actual worth. By making sure that each article is absolutely safe and trust worthy to buy. Also by having prices down to the very lowest notch.

### From France

Comes two new open stock patterns in "Haviland & Co.'s"

### Fine China.

During June you can buy either of these 100 piece dinner sets for...\$30 For fear you do not know it we wish to convince you that this is buying the finest China in the world at the price of cheaper qualities.

As these are open stock patterns you can buy what you need when you need it, but you must buy in June in order to buy at this price.

BUTTER PADS  
2c and 3c.  
SAUCE DISHES,  
3 to 5c.  
CUPS and SAUCERS,  
10 to 15c.  
COVERED DISHES,  
40c to 75c.  
TEA POTS,  
25 to 40c.  
PLATTERS, ALL SIZES,  
9 to 50c.  
BUTTERS,  
15 to 30c.

All grouped together on tables Ready for your selection. It's cool and comfortable in the Basement.

## J. M. HARTLEY & SON,

NEXT TO COURT HOUSE FAIRMONT, WEST VA.

## Cut Glass --AND-- Sterling Silver.

We want to call your attention to our stock of cut glass. Our designer cuts to our order and we add no fancy price for The Name.

Sterling Silver, new designs and the prices are low—and goods are high grade. Let us show you a wedding present.

**W.A. Fisher**  
Reliable Jeweler and Optician,  
232 Main street.

## ANDERSON'S BON TON.

## Hats! Hats! Hats!

We have them in all the latest shapes and colorings.—Prices are the lowest when you look at the quality.

## --Parasols--

A nice new line to select from. The latest colors.

## Kabo Corsets Are Rust-Proof.

Our line of ladies' and children's underwear is complete. No better goods on the market. Vest, 10c to \$1.00.

## White Goods.

Almost any kind and price on the market.

## Sheer White Linen,

46 inches wide, \$1.00 yd., make a beautiful white dress. The finest line Val Laces in the city.

Hammocks, lawn swings and porch seats are some the summer pleasures to be had at J. L. Hall's Hardware Store.

## SOCIETY

### CHARMING HOSTS

Were Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Smith— Their "At Home" Was a Delightful Event.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Smith were at home to their friends last evening from eight until eleven o'clock at their spacious residence on Madison street. The occasion was the celebration of their fifteenth wedding anniversary and many handsome presents of cut and venetian glass were sent them yesterday by their hosts of warm friends. Upon their arrival the guests were ushered into the parlor where they were greeted by Mr. and Mrs. Smith, and introduced in turn to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Semans, of Uniontown, Pa., and Miss Pauline Smith, all of whom assisted in receiving. From the parlor Miss Eva Brand invited each and all across the hall into the living room where Mrs. W. W. Lawhead, of Uniontown, Pa., and Mrs. Charles Reed presided over the punch bowl. From here the guests were invited to the dining room, where Mrs. W. S. Hamilton, Mrs. Carl Frame, Miss Jennie Fisher, Mrs. Glen Barnes, Mrs. Frank Nichols and Miss Florence Arnett tendered plates on which was served the most tempting light lunch imaginable: ice cream moulded into dainty pink roses surrounded by green leaves, white cake, uncaped strawberries, half buried in confectioners' sugar, pink and white peppermints and almonds.

Miss Georgia Ice planned a spray of pink sweet peas on each one there, and when the repast was ended, the callers were invited to the porch which was charmingly illumined with quaint Japanese lanterns, and there hot coffee was served by Mrs. Joe P. Fleming and Miss Cora Ogden.

The affair in every detail was one of the most beautiful "at homes" ever given in Fairmont. The decorations were artistic in the highest degree and in point of beauty and lavish design surpassed anything in the season. In the dining room was marked the center of floral art, and here a handsome oak table was graced with a massive pink shaded candelabra, over which was suspended a pink chandelier massed with asparagus vines and from which pink ribbons were festooned to the four

corners of the table. Exquisite lace dollies made resting places for pretty cut glass dishes holding bonbons and almonds, while tall vases with pink roses completed the design. The mantle was banked high with the lovely wild honeysuckle, and ferns formed a grate screen below. Vases of roses were everywhere visible and portiers were formed of gracefully festooned asparagus vines. The whole represented a scene of beauty long to be remembered, and everyone who came to extend renewed congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Smith, left wishing them the opportunity to celebrate in like manner many succeeding anniversaries.

### EVERYTHING READY

For the Yoder-Samsell Wedding To-Night.

Everything is in readiness for the Yoder-Samsell wedding, which will take place this evening at the First Presbyterian Church, at 8:30 o'clock. Rev. Stoetzer, pastor of the church, will perform the ceremony. Miss Edna Trickett will be maid of honor and Howard Thayer, of Grafton, will be best man. The bridesmaids will be Misses Nell Cocoran, Ethel Fleming, Louise Potter and Clara Boydston. The ushers will be E. C. Stemple, Harry Engle, John Hughes and R. C. Miller. W. N. Engle and James Shinn will be at the door. The bride will be given away by her brother-in-law, John Irvin, and Master George Irvin will be ring bearer. A number of out-of-town guests have arrived, and this will be one of the prettiest weddings of the season.

**MISS SAMPLE'S ROSE LUNCHEON**  
Was a Very Attractive and Enjoyable Social Event.

Miss Madge Sample entertained at a rose luncheon yesterday afternoon from 1:30 to 4 o'clock in honor of her cousin, Miss Georgia Watherwax, who is to be married this evening to Arthur T. Roberts, of Cape Charles, Va. The table and room were beautifully decorated with pink roses. 18 covers were laid and eight courses served. The plate cards were beautiful heart shaped designs tied with pink ribbon. Pretty souvenirs, consisting of a pink box containing a small slipper, were presented to the guests. Paul McCoy, one of the ushers at the wedding, was toastmaster. Miss Sample knows how to enter-

## NORMAL SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

Many Interesting and Entertaining Exercises.

## THE BARD OF AVON WAS LAST NIGHT'S FAVORITE

SEVEN YOUNG LADIES AND GENTLEMEN COMPETED FOR HONORS ON THE PRODUCTIONS FROM SHAKESPEARE.

CARNEY CHRISTIE TOOK THE PRIZE, TWENTY DOLLARS IN GOLD—MISS BOSWORTH AND SMITH DIVIDED SECOND HONORS.

Last night's contest might be styled "the battle of the giants" for nearly all of the contestants are at least semi-professional, and three or four of them were already prize winners.

A large crowd of admiring friends awaited impatiently the rendering of the program. There was no one favorite, for different people longed to see different contestants win. Enthusiasm ran high and the people were demonstrative in the reception of each performer.

The program was opened by a well rendered selection of music by Miss Lucy Morrow; after which Miss Mabel Ballah appeared and read Othello's speech to the Council. Miss Ballah was a comparative stranger to the audience as this was her first appearance on a commencement occasion. She acquitted herself very creditably, showed marks of careful training and bids fair to become a successful reader.

Carney Christie came next, reading from King Richard III. Carney is a born actor and he was at his best last night. He captivated the audience with his excellent portrayal of the hunch-backed King. He was recognized as a star of the first magnitude by the ardent listeners.

Miss Ethel Crim, being a sweet-faced girl and very well known, at once caught the attention of the audience. Her portrayal of the character of the Mad Ophelia was true to life and by the time she was through the audience was getting far out at sea, with no one more than guessing on the winner.

The long, lank and cadaverous form and the hollow, sonorous voice of J. Walter Reeves added strength to the acquired touches gained by instruction on the Ghost Scene from Hamlet. Wild, weird and picturesque in itself, the production made a deeper impression by the masterful way in which it was handled. Many cheers went up for Walter as he left the stage.

Scarcely had the audience given a rating to the last production until a thrill went through the room on the appearance of Miss Bosworth. She has a charming presence and at once gains the rapt attention of her hearers. She rendered the Banquet Scene in a fascinating manner and could the memory of the preceding charmers have been easily banished, she would have been put down at once as a winner.

Following Miss Bosworth, Miss Isa Hawkins presented the Closet Scene from Hamlet. When she left the stage there was a slight sinking of the heart among the special friends of some of the contestants, for Miss Isa is an artist, and so cleverly had she performed her part, it was plain to see that nothing short of the best could defeat her.

The last on the program was Miss Alta Smith, who is perhaps the best known of the evening's non-resident performers. She is a specialist on tragedy, and the Stabbing Scene was well adapted to her style. By the time she was through, the people had about decided that it was up to the judges to pick the winner and that they were glad of it. And indeed it was no easy task. But there must be a winner, else contests would lose their charm.

The judges found one, and on their return to the hall Prof. C. E. Neil, of the West Virginia University, in a few well chosen words, announced that the twenty dollar gold piece would go to Mr. Carney Christie.

The judges were Prof. Neil, Dr. Lady Durrett, and Prof. A. J. Wilkinson, of Grafton.

While the judges were making up their decision Mrs. McCowan rendered a charming solo, with Miss Lucy Morrow as accompanist.

Thus ended a very interesting and successful contest.

Hon. A. B. Fleming and Messrs. U. A. Clayton and George DeBolt were the donors of the prize.

This evening will take place the

Recitation Contest, and the following program will be rendered:

Musical Selection.  
The Legend of the Organ Builder—Julia C. R. Dorr, Stella Woolter.  
How Peggy Held the Fort—Elizabeth Stuart Phelps, Gorgia Straight.  
Abner Barrow—Richard Harding Davis, Stella Bosworth.

Music.  
The Story of Patsy—Kate Douglas Wiggin, Blanche Crowe.  
Frantz—Wells T. Hawks, Lillie Carpenter.

The Tenor—F. H. Bunner, Oma Musgrave.

Star Bright—L. C. Cole, Mabel Ballah.

Music.  
Decision of Judges.

To-morrow evening the Select Oration Contest will occur. Below is the program:

Musical Selection.  
Our National Safeguards—Hon. Chauncey M. Depew, Willard Steele.  
The March of the Constitution—Andrew S. Draper, L. L. D. Harry Fetty.

America a World Power—Hon. Henry Cabot Lodge, Arlen Swiger.

Music.

Problem of the Philippines—Hon. Henry M. Teller, William Kennedy.

The State vs. Anarchy—L. Clark Seeley, D. D., L. L. D., Homer Hawker.

Music.

Decision of Judges.

1st prize \$10 in gold. 2d prize \$5 in gold.

The Remainder of the Exercises.

June 8—Recitation Contest—Wednesday evening.

June 9—Select Oration Contest, Thursday evening.

June 11—Junior Class Program, Saturday evening.

June 12—Baccalaureate Sermon, Dr. Eakin, Sunday Morning.

June 14—Mozart Program, Monday evening.

June 14—Senior Class Day Program, Tuesday Morning.

June 14—Lyceum Program, Tuesday Evening.

(Address by Rev. Clark, Class of '72).

June 15—Commencement Address, Wednesday Morning, Dr. Scovill.

June 15—Art Exhibit.

June 15—Alumni Meeting, Wednesday Afternoon.

June 15—Alumni Banquet, Wednesday evening.

## JESSE COOK

A PENDLETON COUNTY BOY GOT THE MCCONN PRIZE AS THE BEST ALL ROUND STUDENT.

This morning it was announced in the chapel, at the Normal School, that the prize of \$5 in gold for the best all round student had been awarded to Jesse Cook, of Pendleton county. Mr. Cook has been here all year and has done exceptionally good work.

Put the College Cow to Bed in the College Dormitory.

CLARKSBURG, June 7.—Rather a serious prank was played on Broadus Institute Monday night while the management, faculty and students were at the entertainment at the Baptist church. Persons took the college cow from her stall in the stables and led her into the main building. First the cow visited the principal's office and was then taken to the third story where she was put to bed for the night. The discovery was made when the people returned from the recital, and it was also discovered that the telephone wires had been cut so the police could not be notified. Persons had evidently ambushed on the outside and when it was known that they had run across the cow in the college building an awful yell went up.

It is stated that the cow was led into the building as a joke but it is strongly intimated that parties who have not been able to control management of the Institute may have instigated the thing, since it was the day of the board meeting at which the management for the next year on.

**ONE FARE FOR THE ROUND TRIP**  
To the Republican National Convention, Chicago, Ill., Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

Account Republican National convention, at Chicago, Ill., June 21-24, the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company will place on sale excursion tickets to that point on June 16th to 20th, inclusive, good returning until June 29th, 1904, inclusive.

Call on ticket agents for full information.

Fare for the round trip, \$12.00.

I have some good lots in two squares of Court-house for sale at \$375.00. H. H. Lanham.